

Chum Line



Good Sportsmanship is Worth More Than all the Fish in the Ocean DECEMBER 2019

*Happy
Holidays!*

NO DINNER MEETING IN DECEMBER

A Message from the President

By Mike Hartt

As we begin to wrap up 2019, I don't think anyone will argue it's been a pretty amazing year of fishing. Some records were set and the bite just continued through the year. Thank you to all the volunteers that made events like the Earl Warren Kids trip, our mentors' trips, and all the Vets trips so successful.

This February brings us to one of our most important events, our Banquet on February 23rd and induction of the new Board, President and Vice President. Please mark and save the date so we can plan on a high attendance.

Our Board meeting this month is set for the 16th at LuLu's, so please confirm with Mike Godfrey so we have an accurate count. The agenda for this meeting will be changed to include discussions about awards, confirming the 2020 calendar, and 2020 charters. It's important we get and keep the website up to date.

Let me extend our warmest holiday wishes from Teri and me to all members and their families.

Good Fishing

LARRC FOUNDATION

A MESSAGE FROM JOEL STEINMAN

We had a great year.

Our kids and mentors trip were a huge success. We took 80 kids on the kids trip in July, 12 kids on the mentors trip in August, 30 kids for the Hope Street trip in June and 10 kids on the mentors trip in the middle of August.

We had 100 special needs students for our 17th annual Lou Berke trout/catfish derby.

We gave grants early in the year to Long Beach State, Hubb's Sea World, Cabrillo Museum and the Aquarium of the Pacific. We received matching funds for the Wild Oceans. We also gave a grant to a student in Santa Barbara.

These activities were possible from getting grants and our annual fund raising event in February.

At our last meeting, we discussed getting more donations for the live and silent auction. We do not have enough items at this time to be successful.

We need the support of the membership to get one item for the banquet auction.

Larry Brown has offered matching funds up to \$20,000. You might want to talk to your tax advisor in making a donation to the foundation as we are a 501C3.

CALENDAR

Board Meeting

December 16, 2019

Social Hour: 6:00pm Meeting: 7:00pm

Lulu's

16900 Roscoe Blvd. • Van Nuys, CA 91406



NO Dinner Meeting



SAVE THE DATE FOR 2020

FEBRUARY 8, 2020

LARRC and West Valley Sportsman Club

FISHING TACKLE SWAP MEET

Elks Lodge No. 2190

20925 Osborne Street

Canoga Park, CA

Set-up at 7:00am

Sale 8:00am -12:00pm

Contact Steve Simon for more info - 818-469-7651

FEBRUARY 23, 2020

Annual Banquet

APRIL 17, 2020

Lou Berke Catfish Derby

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Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club and Foundation's Annual Banquet and Fund Raiser Sunday, February 23, 2020

We need **HELP** from **all** members to procure at least **ONE ITEM** each for the auction. This can be done by going to your local tackle stores, restaurants, friends/family/neighbors, etc. asking for a donation.

If this is not possible, **we accept monetary donations** that will enable us to purchase items. The money raised from these donations **help support** our annual Kids Trip, Mentors Trips, grants to college students and to various organizations throughout the year.

THE FOUNDATION HAS THE FOLLOWING FOR THE LIVE AUCTION:

- **Law Office of Randy Sharon -Living Trust**
- **Paul Varenchik/ Calabasas Catering - BBQ**
- **Half Day Fishing with Ben Florentino**
- **Two Half Day trips with Dan Trippeda on Castiac**

WITH MORE IN THE WORKS

All donations should be sent to:

JOEL STEINMAN
5826 OSTROM AVENUE • ENCINO, CA 91316
PHONE - 818-384-2381

Donation Request Letters are available if needed.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Submitted by Eric Rogger

I'd like to start this month's enviro comments by wishing all readers a Happy Holiday Season! Enjoy your fishing and remember that the news items reported on our environment are not permanently etched in stone. I report what effects our fisheries as I come across them. Feel free to offer your comments!

◆ **ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND.** . . is one of the sources at my disposal so – on a positive note – let me quote. Seven out of ten Americans have now expressed some concern over climate change! (Source: Yale Program on Climate Change Communications) EDF announced the five largest sources of global climate pollution: China (26%), USA (13%), Europe (9%), India (6%), and Brazil (3%). They also noted: (This past year) Anchorage hit 90 degrees for the first time, Greenland lost 250 tons of ice, California experienced the earliest ever start of the wildfire season. A reminder – Warm temps = warm water = fewer fish = become involved!

◆ **PEBBLE MINE/BRISTOL BAY - ALASKA.** . . The last item in the November report deals with this – We now learn that this most productive salmon area had a record 2019 salmon harvest. Recall that this area has been environmentally threatened by the plans of the Canadian Company, Dynasty Minerals, to mine for minerals in the area. Earlier reports noted that the EPA had now lifted water protection restrictions. It was reported that this area produces about 50% of the world's sockeye salmon. National Fisherman Magazine reported that a number of Alaskan organizations are suing the EPA to restore protection first initiated during the Obama administration.

Chum Line Advertising

Do you have a business that fellow members would be interested in? If so, place an ad in the monthly Chum Line!!

Advertising Pricing

1/8 page: \$20 per month or \$240/year

1/4 page: \$40 per month or \$480/year

1/2 page: \$80 per month or \$960/year

Full page: \$160 per month or \$1920/year

Buy 12 months and get one month free!

Checks should be made payable to LARRC. The ad will be published once payment and graphics are received.

Contact Sophia (fishnsoph@gmail.com) or Donald (donald@dgoldsobel.com)

for more information.

Thank you!!

◆ **PRICEY TUNA.** . . Did you catch this article in the LA-Times? A 541 lb bluefin tuna was recently caught snacking on salmon in a Norwegian growout net. Norway's Atlantic tuna fishery has been lacking after years of overfishing during the 1950-60's.. Their fishery management has now declared the tuna stock to be recovering explaining that they sell for \$64 per pound on the Tokyo fish market. Norway will have a quota of 300 tons next year.

◆ **LA TIMES (10/25/2019).** . . ran an extensive article on purple sea urchins. These creatures have now decimated large areas of kelp from California north to Oregon. It states that tens of millions of these have upset many miles of kelp forests with serious consequences to the ecosystems. Scientists are studying the problem and feel that warmer waters are at least partially responsible for the devastation.

◆ **MOTHER JONES.** . . Had quite an article on how anglers are increasingly frustrated by their inability to deal with hungry sea lions. Citing how commercial fishermen for example see their catches of anchovies attacked and the use of "seal" bombs not being very effective. These bombs do not kill the seals and often do not save valueable catches. Current laws (MMPA – of 1970's) prohibits the killing of sea mammals. The sea lion population is said to have tripled from 90,000 in 1975 to over 270,000 in 2008. There is also the suggestion that the seal bombs pose a risk to other marine life. Studies by NOAA and the Pacific States Marine Fishery Commission indicate they are only deterred. Sea lions are only affected for about 4 minutes. In 2018 Oregon was permitted lethal methods where the seals were impacting salmon trying to access the Willamette river system to spawn. Stay tuned!

As usual comments and written contributions will be welcomed. Thanks... Eric Rogger wstridge@aol.com

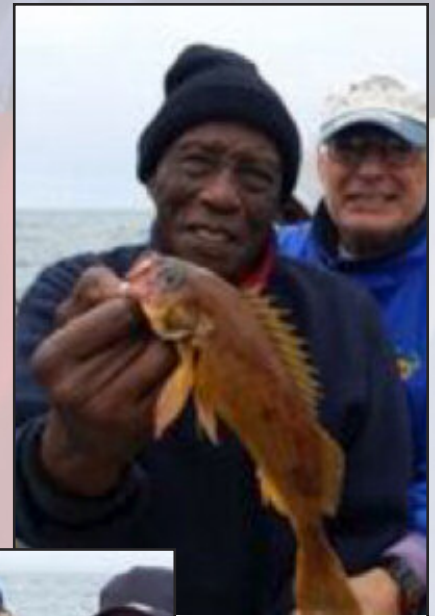


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NOVEMBER VETERANS' TRIP

By Steve Simon

November 13th was the last of our Veterans fishing trips on the Betty-O out of Marina del Rey. For the last three years we have been taking Veterans fishing - four trips a year - with the support of Larry Brown Youth and Veterans Fishing Charity Charters. The volunteers were Andy MacDonald, Ron Glider, Charles Davis, Larry Brown, Phil Bell, Joe Mahfet, Mike Godfrey, Dave Morgan, Paul Varenchik, William Davis, Fred Blasetti and Steve Simon and the representatives from NOAA - Micayla Kiepert and Daniel Studt. There was a total of 60 veterans, 8 staff and 28 volunteers. Our Skipper, LARRC member Mike Reinsch and his first mate and Galley Queen, Patty Reinsch.



LA BOCANA - FISH, FISH AND MORE FISH

The team: Jim O'Donnell, Dave 6 Morgan, Marc Monforte, Barry Cohen, Rob Baldwin, Steve Goldsobel, David Goldsobel, Donald Goldsobel, Chris Henrich, Don Urena and Jim Williams.

We all met at the Tijuana Cross Border Express for an efficient and easy border crossing, passage through immigration and boarding of our 12 passenger Cesna Caravan.

We flew to Guerrero Negro and caravanned to La Bocana. The next morning we boarded our pangas and headed for different areas. Open ocean, rocky off shore, estuary or



places along the shore line.

Everyone caught fish. Grouper, Sierra, Yellowtail, Bonito, Spotted Bay Bass, Calicos, Dorado and several other species. The fish were hitting on all kinds of artificals, but seemed to like trolled minnows the best....shal-

low, deep, they were all over the map. Lots of medium weight YTs, huge Calicos, smaller Grouper. Few were kept as the limit on Grouper is one per boat per day. The limit is responsible for the large number of smaller Grouper.

The Grouper played hard to get, going into the rocks and hunkering down. Even hundred pound test was not enough to dislodge them. On my boat we broke two rods that were not up to the task of getting the grouper out of the rocks. The water is shallow, so they are right over the rocks when they hit. We were out gunned.

The pangas were nothing special, but the pangeros were outstanding.

The cabins are right down on the beach. Well maintained and clean.

The resort staff were there to do whatever they could to please the guests. Their restaurant was way better than it was during my last visit and I thought it was great then.

The chef is well schooled. He served



up sushi, tempura fish fillets, great sauces. Each dinner was four courses with great variety. Lobster lovers were not disappointed. Ten different beers, a full bar that served fino margaritas. It is Baja at its best.



Barry commented

ANOTHER WONDERFUL FISHING ADVENTURE TO BAJA

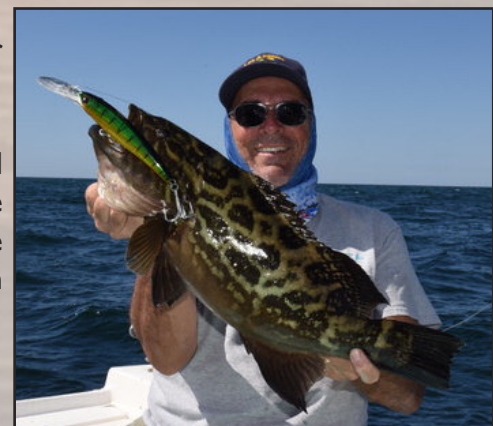
La Bocana is deep down in Baja. I picked up my new fishing buddy Dave 6 at 6am. We had a couple of hours to swap fishing stories on the drive to the Cross Border Express. After parking the car, we grabbed a quick bite to eat as we awaited the arrival of the rest of our group of 12. The Cross Boarder Crossing is very cool. We all walked across into Mexico. No waiting and no hassle. We had time for a Margarita or two and then boarded our charter to Guerrero Negro. The flight was smooth and easy. The vans were there waiting for us and off we went on a 2!2 hour road trip through the desert. Quite beautiful. We arrived tired and hungry at the resort. Dinner was ready!

We fished for four days. Lots of fish, variety and fun. Cocktails and dinners were great! The group was great!! Actually everything was great!!!

The return trip was just as efficient as the trip down. No waiting at the boarder!!!!

Thank you Donald for putting this together.

Dave Morgan added Caught plenty of these Sierra, very aggressive bite and good fun on light tackle.



Sportfishing Community Successfully Halts Expanding Longlines on the West Coast

By John Ballotti

This week, in a win for the sportfishing community, the Pacific Fisheries Management Council voted to not proceed with consideration of an amendment that would authorize shallow-set longline gear in West Coast highly migratory species.

“As leaders in conservation, we support sustainable fishing practices in all sectors. Industrial pelagic longlining has an abhorrent record of wasteful bycatch and unsustainability,” said Danielle Cloutier, Pacific Fisheries Policy director for the American Sportfishing Association. “This practice contravenes our collective goals of reducing bycatch and ensuring quality fishing opportunities for future generations. We’re thankful that the council came down on the right side of this issue, which is in the best interest of our community.”

In a significant win for the sportfishing community, the

American Sportfishing Association, Wild Oceans, the Coastal Conservation Association of California and the International Game Fish Association came together to successfully advocate for sportfishing interests. Shallow-set longline gear creates an excessive amount of bycatch that can negatively impact the health of recreationally important fish populations.

Public comment on this issue was significant, with nearly 50 separate comments submitted from the sportfishing community, conservation groups, tribal entities and the general public. The council also received more than 500 postcards and petitions, all of which were in opposition to shallow-set longline gear. Additionally, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife made abundantly clear there were numerous unanswered questions and limited information.

Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club Foundation & AmazonSmile

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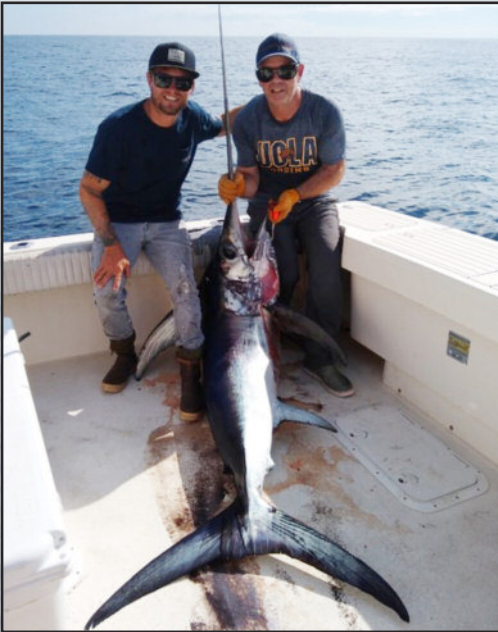
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On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you need to select a charitable organization – **Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club Foundation** – to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.



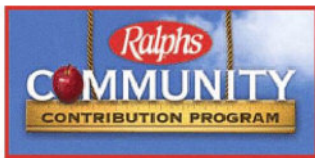
OOPS, We Did It Again!!

After Jim Carlisle and Professor Fumio Ogashi had success on their first swordfish expedition on October 25 with Captain Brandon Hayward of Bight Sportfishing, they were excited to try and repeat their success. On November 15



they were back for a second try, this time with Bight's fine Captain Wes Pearson. Well, thanks to the fine efforts of Capt. Wes, lightning did strike twice at the end of the first drift of the day when they were able to capture another beautiful swordfish. They actually had a second swordfish on later in the afternoon but it earned its freedom. Who would have thought this would be possible right in our own backyard, twice!! It's always a great experience with Bight Sportfishing.

Earn Money for LARRC Foundation By Shopping at Ralphs!



Here's How:

Step #1: Enroll in the Ralphs Reward Program if you are not currently enrolled.

Step #2: Print out this page and take it with you the next time you shop at Ralphs.

Step #3: At check-out, have the LARRC barcode swiped by the cashier together with your Ralphs Rewards Card/phone number.

Notice: The Ralphs LARRC Barcode needs to be swiped only once to link your Rewards Card to LARRC. Future shopping trips will help raise money for LARRC when you use your Ralphs Reward Card at check-out.

CHARTERS 2020

DATE	DESTINATION	AVAILABILITY	CONTACT
Feb 7- Feb 23	Red Rooster III 16/13 (Option to fly home from Cabo San Lucas) Targeting cow tuna at possible destinations such as Hurricane Bank, Buffer Zone, or PV	OPEN Cost: \$5,575 Limit - 23 passengers	Contact Maria 619-224-3857 office@redrooster3.com www.redrooster3.com
May 21- May 22	Pacific Dawn Overnight trip targeting Rock Cod, Ling Cod, Sheephead with potential for Yellowtail, Halibut and White Sea Bass	OPEN Cost: \$TBD Limit - 17 passengers	Contact Keith
Jun 20- Jun 27	Royal Star 10am departure, generally returns at 8am on final date	OPEN Cost: \$2,125 Limit - 23 passengers	Contact Tracy 619-224-4764 rs@royalstarsportfishing.com www.royalstarsportfishing.com
Jul 26- Aug 3	Intrepid Perfect variety trip with The Ridge and Alijos Rocks as possible destinations. Wahoo, Tuna, Dorado, Yellowtail, and Grouper	OPEN Cost: \$4,490 Limit - 26 passengers	Contact Steve 619-224-4088 www.fishintrepid.com
Sep 1- Sep 6	Red Rooster III 5 Day Targeting Yellowfin Tuna, Bluefin Tuna, Yellowtail, etc. Guadalupe Island potential destination	OPEN Cost: \$2,525 Limit - 25 passengers	Contact Maria 619-224-3857 office@redrooster3.com www.redrooster3.com

NOTE:

LARRC members signing up for club charters are obligated to pay full fare in the event they cannot make the trip. The club will attempt to fill your space and you may try to do the same in a timely manner. There may be surcharges this year based on fuel price increases. Bunks are assigned by the charter master in order received. So book early! If you have any special needs please make the charter master aware of them at the time of booking.

Contact Andrew Ratzky - Aratzky@att.net

LARRC Club Charters in **BLUE** Larry Brown Shared Charters in **GREEN**

Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club Foundation

Tribute Opportunity

Tribute Cards are available when you want to send your thoughts or feelings for –

- Congratulations
- Graduation
- Anniversary
- Illness
- Appreciation
- Best Wishes
- New Home
- Baby Announcement
- Bar/Bat Mitzvahs
- In Memorandum

Your LARRC Foundation is a charitable organization. Donations maybe deducted. Tributes will be posted in the Chum Line. Tribute cards will be sent to recipient.

Information Request and Donations may be addressed to:

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TROPHY CONTENDERS 2019 as of October 31, 2019

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LBS.	OZ.	SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LBS.	OZ.
MEN'S OCEAN WATER					WOMEN'S FLY ROD				
Bass, Calico	30	Joel Steinman	4	4	Perch, Sacramento	7	Sophia Huynh	Released	
Mackerel, Spanish	25	Joel Steinman	2	6*	Trout, Cutthroat	7	Sophia Huynh	3 Released	
Marlin, Blue	120	Nick Ekdahl	140	TAPED	Trout, Kamloop	7	Sophia Huynh	Released	
Yellowtail	35	Michael Kickter	28	0*	Trout, Rainbow	7	Sophia Huynh	4 Released	
MEN'S FLY ROD					WOMEN'S FRESH WATER				
Perch, Sacramento	7	Kevin Boyle	Released		Steelhead	12	Cathy Needleman	14	0
Trout, Rainbow	7	Kevin Boyle	Released		WOMEN'S RELEASED JUNIOR MEMBERS				
MEN'S FRESH WATER					Barracuda	30	Kevin Steinman	Released 1	
Bass, Lg Mouth	4	Andy MacDonald	6	4	Bass, Calico	30	Kevin Steinman	Released 5	
Bass, Lg Mouth	6	Steve Simon	6	12	Bass, Calico	30	Kevin Steinman	2	8*
Bass, Lg Mouth	8	Steve Simon	7	13	Bass, Lg Mouth	8	Camryn Warren	2	1
Trout, Brown	3	Mark Manculich	2	9	Bass, Lg Mouth	8	Camryn Warren	1	2
MEN'S OCEAN RELEASED					Bass, Lg Mouth	8	Brooke Warren	1	8
WOMEN'S OCEAN WATER					Bass, Lg Mouth	8	Brooke Warren	1	0
Swordfish	100	Cathy Needleman	287	2*	Bluegill	8	Brooke Warren	0	.55
Tuna, Bluefin	15	Sophia Huynh	43	0*	Bluegill	8	Alexis Warren	0	.5
Tuna, Bluefin	50	Cathy Needleman	93	0	Bluegill	8	Alexis Warren	0	.48
Tuna, Bluefin	80	Cathy Needleman	134	55	FIRST GAME FISH OF THE YEAR				
Tuna, Bluefin	130	Cathy Needleman	218	0	White Sea Bass	40	Cathy Needleman	29	8
Tuna, Bluefin	130	Cathy Needleman	231.62	Taped-	March 19, 2019				
Tuna, Bluefin	130	Cathy Needleman	283	0	FIRST ALBACORE OF THE YEAR				
Tuna, Bluefin	130	Cathy Needleman	307	5*					
White Sea Bass	40	Cathy Needleman	29	8					

Health and Happiness

Linda Simon is our contact for "Health and Happiness" - please contact Linda either by phone (818-980-7470) or email (simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net) for any information about our club members/family - i.e., happy or sad news; health issues; graduation or congratulations, etc.



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